

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1138

S. P. 340

In Senate, March 4, 1969

Referred to Committee on Towns and Counties. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Bernard of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to the Compensation of Municipalities for the Loss of Services of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 173, sub-§ 4, amended. The last sentence of the 4th paragraph of subsection 4 of section 173 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 244 of the public laws of 1967 and as amended, is repealed as follows:

~~The Treasurer of State shall pay the municipality a flat fee of \$20 each day the latter's police officers or constables are required to attend the District Court.~~

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 4, § 173, sub-§ 4, amended. Subsection 4 of section 173 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end, a new paragraph, as follows:

The Treasurer of State shall pay any municipality a flat fee of \$20 per day per law enforcement officer for every day or part thereof such municipality loses the services of a law enforcement officer because such officer is performing some act authorized or required by a District Court rule of criminal procedure or is a material witness in a criminal case within the jurisdiction of the District Court. A municipality shall be deemed to have lost the services of a law enforcement officer when such officer, who normally performs duties of patrolling or maintaining order, is physically unable to perform those duties of patrolling and maintaining order for such municipality. The Treasurer of State shall pay any municipality a flat fee of \$20 for each day or part thereof that a municipal law enforcement officer, designated by the municipality as its court officer, is required to be physically present in a District Court House in order to adequately handle such municipality's caseload.